

# Mount Rainier National Park

## Nisqually to Paradise Road Construction Update



### Wayside Notes

The historic Nisqually to Paradise Road is the most common entry to Mount Rainier National Park. Like most roads that you travel, it too, requires maintenance and periodic repairs. Due to adverse winter weather road work must occur during the busy summer season.

*This year the majority of work will occur between Longmire and Paradise.*

The road continually endures impacts from thousands of cars, buses, and RVs. It sustains damage from freezing, thawing, and rain. The road is also impacted by fallen trees and river erosion.

Improvements to the road will preserve its integrity as a popular and historic scenic drive and provide continued safe access for years to come.

### Just the Facts: Longmire

"Longmire is a village of stones. The buildings, walls, and curbs are built of rounded rocks; even the empty areas are filled with water-worn cobbles and boulders. These stones are the remains of many mudflows that have overflowed the Nisqually River, some as recently as the past few centuries."

-Excerpt from: *Road Guide to Mount Rainier National Park* by Barbara and Robert Decker

### What to Expect

- **Road Construction** will begin Monday, October 5 and continue into the beginning of November.
- **Work** this week will be concentrated at roadside utility vaults. *Expect delays in those areas.*
- **Power outages** will occur at Longmire and Paradise October 13 - 23 during weekdays.
- **Know Before You Go.** Expect delays during daylight hours, Monday through Friday. *Currently no work is scheduled for Saturday or Sunday.*
- **Be Prepared.** *Total construction delays should not exceed 30 minutes between Longmire and Paradise.*
- **No Idling.** Please be considerate of the air quality and turn off your vehicle when stopped at construction.
- **Plan Ahead.** Restroom facilities are located at Kautz Creek, Longmire, Narada Falls, and Paradise.

### For more information go to:

<http://www.nps.gov/mora/parkmgmt/nisqually-paradise-road.htm>

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